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FOREIGN NEWS ON APPLES

THE BRITISH APPLE MARKET

Barreled apple prices on the whole were considerably higher at the Liverpool auction, Wednesday, March 5, than last week, according to a cable received in the Foreign Service of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics from Mr. F. A. Motz, the Department of Agriculture's fruit specialist in Europe. This week's prices were well above the prices paid at this time a year ago for barreled apples. Boxed Winesaps made slightly lower prices than last week and are somewhat below prices paid at this time a year ago. Oregon Newtowns were selling at about the same level that has been maintained for the past few weeks. These prices are, however, much above those paid at this time last year. Washington Romes made better prices than Winesaps at the auction. The demand for both Oregon Newtowns and Washington Romes was temporarily weakened by the arrival of some unsound lots of these varieties. All varieties of American barreled and boxed apples offered were in light supply and good condition except Maine Ben Davis which were in only fair condition. All barreled apples met a good demand, except Ben Davis for which the demand was moderate.

Washington Winter Nelis pears were in light supply and generally good condition. The prices received on the auction were 55 cents to 98 cents higher than at this time a year ago.

Prices paid at London for American apples were much below the Liverpool prices. U. S. No. 1, $2\frac{1}{4}$ inch, York Imperials sold at \$5.66 to \$6.57 as compared with \$8.52 to \$8.76, the price received at Liverpool. Unclassified, $2\frac{1}{4}$ inch, Yorks sold at \$5.11 to \$5.84. U. S. No. 1, $2\frac{1}{4}$ inch, Winesaps from Virginia sold at \$5.60 to \$6.57 per barrel while the unclassified, $2\frac{1}{4}$ inch, size made \$4.62 to \$5.84. Virginia Ben Davis, U.S. No. 1, $2\frac{1}{4}$ inch, sold at \$3.89 to \$4.74 and the unclassified, $2\frac{1}{4}$ inch, sold from \$3.89 to \$4.87. U. S. No. 1, $2\frac{1}{2}$ inch, Virginia Albemarle Pippins made \$8.52 to \$9.73. Extra fancy, 150/175, Oregon Newtowns sold at \$3.41 to \$3.77 or about 80 cents a box less than at Liverpool. The Extra fancy, 188/smaller size, made \$3.16 to \$3.41. Washington Newtowns sold at about the same prices. Washington Winesaps were in moderate supply but met with a slow demand. The Extra fancy, 150/175 size, made \$2.31 to \$2.43 while Fancy, 150/175 fruit, sold at \$2.19 to \$2.31. These prices were also below Liverpool. All the American apples offered were in good condition except Virginia Ben Davis.

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Price paid for American fruit at Liverpool

Variety, grade and origin	Price		
	1929	1930	
	Mar 6	Feb 26	Mar 5
	<u>Dollars</u>	<u>Dollars</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
<u>APPLES</u> <u>BARRELS</u>			
York Imperial, Virginia:			
U. S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch minimum	a/ 7.54	7.79-8.03	8.52-8.76
U. S. No. 2, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch minimum	-	-	6.33-7.06
Unclassified, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch minimum	-	6.33-6.81	7.06-7.42
Albemarle Pippin, Virginia:			
U. S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch minimum	7.66-8.03	9.49-9.73	9.98
U. S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch minimum	7.30-7.91	-	8.52-9.98
U. S. No. 2, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch minimum	-	8.03	8.27-9.00
Unclassified, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch minimum	-	b/ 7.54-8.03	6.57-7.06
Ben Davis, Maine:			
U. S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch minimum	-	-	4.32
Unclassified, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch minimum	-	-	4.26
<u>BOXES</u>			
Winesap, Washington:			
Extra fancy, 150/175	2.92-3.04	2.74-2.80	2.62-2.68
Extra fancy, 188/smaller	2.68-2.92	-	2.49-2.55
Fancy, 188/smaller	2.55	2.43-2.55	2.31-2.43
Rome Beauty, Washington:			
Extra fancy, 188/smaller	-	-	2.92-3.16
Fancy 150/175	-	-	2.98-3.04
Fancy 188/smaller	-	-	2.55-2.80
Newtown, Oregon:			
Extra fancy, 150/175	2.92-3.04	4.38	4.20-4.62
Extra fancy, 188/smaller	2.80-2.92	-	3.59-3.89
Fancy, 150/175	2.80-2.86	-	3.65-4.01
Fancy, 188/smaller	2.55-2.74	-	3.47-3.95
<u>PEARS</u> <u>BOXES</u>			
Winter Nelis, Washington:	3.04-3.16	-	3.59-4.14

NOTE: Quotations are for fruit in good condition unless otherwise noted.
a/ U. S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch. b/ Unclassified 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch.